The Times section Bispatch

RICHMOND, VA., FRIDAY, APRIL 18, 1913. Virginia League **Opens** Under

Conditions---Colts Ideal

SPHYGHALSKI'S ERROR PAVES WAY TO COLT VICTORY

They Call Him "Spy" Now to Save Time and Space.

"DUCKY" EBERTS SCORES FIRST RUN

Strain Opposes Richmond in Opening Clash and Holds Goobers to Four Safeties. Crowd Enjoys Rare Sport. Play in Petersburg This Afternoon.

Results in Virginia League

Yesterday's Games. Richmond, 3; Petersburg, 0. Roanoke, 7; Newport News, 1. Norfolk, 6; Portsmouth, 2.

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Richmond	1	0	1.000
Norfolk	1	. 0	1.000
Roanoke	. 1	0	1.000
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Where They Play To-Day. Richmond at Petersburg.
Newport News at Roanoke.
Portsmouth at Norfolk.

Ducky Eberts, answering the stri-dent message, "Batter up!" walked to the centre and lifted his club with that nonchalance which has made him the envy of many younger seekers for fame. Without narrating at length, the arrival of Ducky, accompanied by the united shout of all that noble as-semblage, brought the end of the 3 to engagement and gave Ivan, with

Not waiting for the formalities, such Not waiting for the formalities, such, as introductions and announcements extraordinary, Ducky smote at the first offering. It was by no means doing justice to either Clyde Richmond, the highly heraled product of swampoodle, which is in Washington, or Mr. Colgate. Clyde failed absolutely in realizing that it was a championship battle, and Mr. Colgate didn't find an opportunity to test his weather even an opportunity to test his weather eye which is likewise his only apparent method of earning a livelihood. Remethod of earning a livelinood. Re-turning briefly to Ducky and his part in making Mr. Sphyghalski famous, he rolled the leather neatly and softly toward third base. Mr. Spy—that's his official name to save both space and the good nature of us scribes—grabbed the emblem of purity just as it should have been gathered under all legiti-mate rules, but he failed in lifting it to Mr. Barnett, who was awaiting its arrival at first. Thus it gives us the opportunity not alone to dramatize Mr. Spy, but to place Ducky at second base. A sacrifice fly and a sacrifice hit gave Eberts the chance to score.

ter prepared than the one brought over from Petersburg. Of course, it is bare-ly possible that Heinie Busch may from Petersburg. Of course, it is barely possible that Heinie Busch may spring something quite new this afternoon when the seat of battle is transferred to Goobertown. But that is quite aside from the question. Richmond won. Mr. Spy's glaring mistake in trying to land the sphere in the bleachers instead of into the waiting glove of Mr. Barnett started it all.

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Two Pitchers.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

Charlottesville, Va., April 17.—Virbinity, or second to the sphere in the bleachers instead of into the waiting glove of Mr. Barnett started it all.

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something, sent a magnificent loft toward Spencer in centre, and Ducky
came across with the first run of the
season and with the one count needed
to win.

Steve showed his master mind in selecting Charlie Strain as the opponent
of Busch's crowd. Those of us who
remember the second game of 1912 in
Petersbrug, will recall how Charles
was able to send every death-seeking
summan back to the resting place absolutely conquered. He repeated. That
tells it all briefly. In all the nine
frames, during which Petersburg sent
a grilling fire toward the Colt defense,
Just one individual had the pleasure
of hecoming acquainted with third station. His name happens to be Blackstone, and he was stopped without
doing damage save to his physical
prowses. Not one single count could
the Goobers push over.

In addition to holding the enemy
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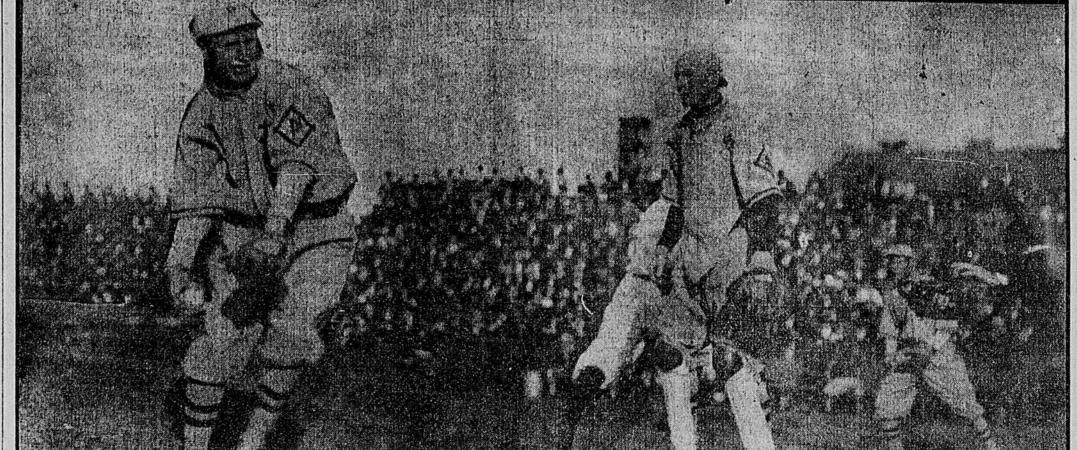
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WHEN FIRST RUN WAS SCORED

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Griffin, second base 2	0	0	1		0
Raley, first base 4	0	- 0	8	0	0
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Laval, right field 1	1	. 0			0
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Summary: Double plays—Piez to Griffin. Left on bases—Richmond, 4; Petersburg, 4. Sacrifice hits—Bresonhan. Sacrifice fly—Griffin. Two-base hits—Luskey. Stolen bases—Luskey. Base on balls—Off Strain, 2; off Richmond, 4. Hit by pitched ball—Laval. Struck out—By Strain, 6; by Richmond, 3. Time of game-1:45. Umpire-Colgate.

DAVIDSON NO MATCH FOR VIRGINIA TEAM

of Seventeen Hits Off Two Pitchers.

glove of Mr. Barnett started it all.

Eberts, on second, managed to stroll nonchalantly to third, while Connie Bresnahan was giving Richmond, the hurler, an opportunity to handle a sactific to the second started of the mound for Davidson, did well for three innings, but weakened in the fourth and was yanked in the sixth. Osteen, who blanked washington and Lee worker

From now on the story runs smoothly. Richmond won the initial clash
because Richmond showed a team bet
Orange and Biue Men Get Total out three hits and pilfered two bases.

Score:

yanked in the sixth. Osteen, who blanked Washington and Lee yesterday, then took the burden, and was pounded even harder. In the eighth inning he was landed on for six hits, yielding as many runs.

Gammon, a young southpaw, held the Tarheels to four scattered hits and was backed up by almost perfect fielding. Beckwith put up a brilliant game at second. In the third inning he robbed

COMES TO AN END

Large Crowd in Attendance, but Card Is Not Attrac-

Norfolk, Va., April 17 .- With ideal

feat of Colonel Cook by Hoffman in the selling handicap, a mile event. Blue Mouse put a second race under his belt by beating Toddling and Clem Beachey in the last race.

The meeting just closed was a satisfactory one to horse followers. Charges that reversal of forms were not given proper ettention by indeed to the contract of the contrac

not given proper attention by judges

tics also ran.

Fourth race—three-year-olds and up, selling, one mile, purse \$400, the Virginia Handicap—Hoffman, 104 (Robbins), 3 to 1, won; Troy Weight, 102 (Wolf), 2 to 1, second; El Oro, 106 (Fairbrother), 2 to 5, third. Time, 1:41. Excallbur, Woodcraft, Colonel Cook also ran.

Fifth race—three-year-olds and up, selling, mile and seventy yards, purse \$400—Fairy Godmother, 94 (Montour), 6 to 1, won; Shorty Northeut, 107 (Robbins).

to 1, won; Shorty Northeut, 107 (Roll bins), 2 to 1, second; Cynosure, 102 (McDonald), 8 to 5, third. Time, 1:47, Fiel; Camellia, Moonlight, McLeod F, Wily Lee also ran. Sixth' race—purse \$100, three-year-

olds and up, selling, mile and a six-teenth—Blue Mouse, 107 (Teahan), 2 to 1, won; Toddling, 106 (Montour), 2 to 1, second; Clem Beachey, 164 (Robbins), 3 to 5, thing. Time, 1:48 1-5, Hedgerose, Lord Elam, Cheer Up also

Harrington Dies.

Keokuk, Iowa, 'April 17.—Jerry Harrington, once catcher of the Cincinnati Reds, and also for the Louisville team, died to-day from the effects of a blow alleged to have been dealt by a negro on April 1. The negro claims self-defense.

Colts Play Goobers in Petersburg To-Day

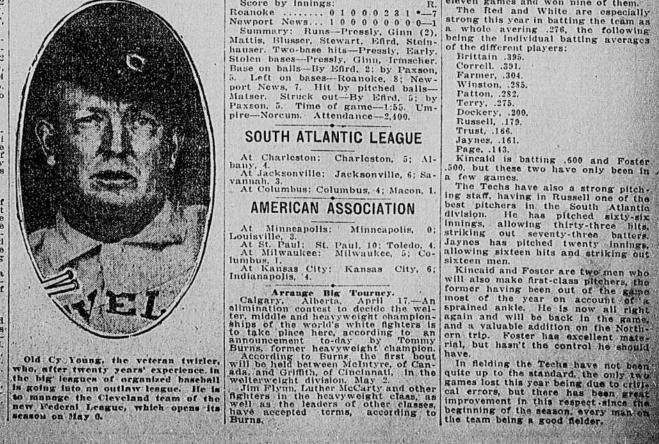
Petersburg will be favored with an opening to-day. The game be-tween Richmond and the Goobers tween Richmond and the Goobers will be played in the Appomatox town. Griffin has decided to use Burleson, and Busch will probably send Hedgpeth to the mound. Both clubs will line up just the same as in the opening game here, with the exception of the butteries. A large exception of the batteries. A large crowd of fans is expected to make the trip abroad to watch the encounter. Busch is anxious to start the season with a victory at home, and Griffin is equally anxious to keep up the winning stride.

court, Silicic also ran.

Second race—purse \$300, three-year-olds and up, selling, six furlongs—Theo. Cook, 110 (Ward), 5 to 2, won; New Haven, 110 (Corey), 5 to 2, second: Ethel LeBrume, 102 (Robbins), even, third. Time, 1:153-5. Heretic, Queen Bee, Bavell, Letz, Portarlington also ran.

Third race—three-year-olds and up, selling, five and a half furlongs, purse \$300—Cutie B., 91 (McDonald), 7 to 1, won; Marsand, 108 (Robbins), even, second; Walter Wells, 105 (Nathan), 4

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to 5, third. Time, 1.09. Joe Gaitens, Mark, 109; *Miss Waters, 94; *CarburePriton Breckenridge, Little Pal, Tacteer, 103. teer, 103.
Sixth race—three-year-old conditions,



GAME IN ROANOKE **BREAKS RECORD**

Newport News Shipbuilders Fall Before Home Team by Score of 7 to 1.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Roanoke, Va., April 17 .- The baseoall season of 1913 in Roanoke was opened here to-day under most auspicious circumstances, Roanoke defeat-

were openly made, and it is said that there was considerable friction on the inside among those connected with the management of the meeting.

First race—three-year-olds and up; selling, six furlongs, purse \$300—York Lad, 108 (Nathan), 7 to 5, won; Touch Me, 109 (Ferguson), 12 to 1, second; Rubia Granda, 99 (McDonald), 5 to 2, third. Time, 1:15. The Gardener, George S. Davis, Jack Nunnally, Harcourt, Silicic also ran.

Second race—purse \$300, three-year-olds, and up, selling, six furlongs—Mater, 108; Galea, 108; Trumps, 108; Mago's Sister, 108.

Theo. Cook, 110 (Ward), 5 to 2, won; New Haven, 110 (Corey), 5 to 2, second; Step LeBrume, 122 (Pablius).

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Early, cf	. 4	2	1	0	
Jobson, 1b	. 3	0	10	1	
Cregan, If	. 4	0	3	0	
Matser, ss	. 3	1	0	-3	
Davis, 3b		0	1	1	
McRedmond, c		1	7	2	
Paxson, p		0	1	2	

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Summary: Runs—Pressly, Ginn (2),
Mattis, Blusser, Stewart, Efird, Steinhauser. Two-base hits—Pressly, Early.
Stolen bases—Pressly, Ginn, Irmscher,
Base on balls—By Efird, 2; by Paxson,
5. Left on bases—Roanoke, 8; Newport News, 7. Hit by pitched balls—
Matser. Struck out—By Efird, 5; by
Paxson, 5. Time of game—1:55. Umpire—Norcum. Attendance—2,400.

SOUTH ATLANTIC LEAGUE

At Charleston: Charleston, 5; Al-At Jacksonville; Jacksonville, 6; Savanuah, 3. At Columbus: Columbus, 4; Macon, 1.

TARS WIN GAME IN OPENING HALF OF FIRST INNING

Portsmouth Pirates Lose Out on Home Grounds by Score of 6 to 2.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Portsmouth, Va., April 17 .- Bland Park was packed to its capacity this Park was packed to its capacity this afternoon, when the Norfolk Tars opened the Virginia League season with the Portsmouth Pirates, the Tars winning easily by a 6 to 2 score. Mayor F. S. Hope, of Portsmouth, fired the opening gun by shooting a strike across the plate, after addressing the members of the two teams, gathered around the batter's box.

Norfolk really won the game in the opening half of the first inning, when luck broke against the Firates.

Keller's Texas-leaguer fell safe, back

opening half of the first inning, when luck broke against the Firates.

Keller's Texas-leaguer fell safe, back of short, in spite of a good run by Riechart. Kircher advanced him to third, and Schrader scored the first run of the season by a sacrifice fly to deep centre. Clapp walked, Vogel singled and Powell followed suit. Boyd let Powell's rap get by him, and both Clapp and Powell scored. These three runs proved enough to win the game, but the Tars counted again in the third and seventh.

While he was wild, walking seven men, Gaston was there in the pinches. He allowed only five scattered hits. On the other hand Vernuell was decidedly ineffective, allowing thirteen hits, three of them for two sacks. But for attempting the double steal twice, Norfolk would have scored two more runs, having runners nipped at the plate twice. They got three hits in the fifth, but fast work by Garvin killed off the runners coming from third on attempted thefts. Score:

Norfolk.

AB.H. O. A.E. Keller, 3b.

Score by innings: Norfolk6...... 3 0 1 0 0 2

LEAVE FOR TRIP

A. & M. in Best Possible Shape for Hard Campaign in Enemy's Territory.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
West Raleigh, N. C., April 17.—The
Carolina Agricultural and Mechanical
baseball team will leave Friday night
for Wilmington, where they will meet
the strong team of the Atlantic Coast
Line on Saturday afternon.

After leaving Wilmington they will start on the Northern trip, playing six games, which will include Washington and Lee, Catholic University, Georgetown, and the Navy. The team is now in the best of condition and should canture a majority of the games of

of the different players:

Brittain .395. Correll. .391. Farmer, .304. Winston, .285. Patton, .282. Terry, .275. Dockery, .200. Russell, .179. Trust, .166.

Jaynes, .161.
Page, .143.
Kincald is batting .600 and Foster .500, but these two have only been in

a few games.

The Techs have also a strong pitch-